

**Mount Vernon
City Council
Study Session
February 3, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Boudreau at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Boudreau, Councilmembers Fiedler, Hudson, Hulst, Lindquist, Molenaar, Quam and Ragan

Staff Present: Police Chief Dodd, Fire Chief Hari, Community Development Director Hyde, Finance Director Huschka, City Attorney Rogerson, Public Works Director Bell, Public Works Assistant Director Love

Citizens Present: 3

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Committee Report : Public Safety Committee, for details please see committee minutes
- B. Community Comments: Jackie Beamer stated that she has a business in downtown Mount Vernon. She would like more of a police presence to help deal with the growing transient issue.
- C. Approval of January 27, 2016 claims numbered 143257-143482 in the amount of \$1,227,259.39

Councilmember Lindquist moved to approve the January 27, 2016 claims numbered 143257-143482 in the amount of \$1,227,259.39. Motion seconded by Councilmember Molenaar. Motion carried 7-0.
- D. Update - Skagit Regional Health Master Plan: Mayor Boudreau introduced Skagit Regional Health CEO Gregg Davidson. Mr. Davidson provided the Mayor and Council with an update on the Skagit Regional Health master plan.
- E. Update - Puget Sound Energy: Mayor Boudreau introduced Puget Sound Energy representative Lynn Murphy. Ms. Murphy provided the Mayor and Council with an update of their services.
- F. Division Street Bridge Update: Mr. Hyde updated Council about efforts of the City, WSDOT and the west side community group to improve pedestrian (and other) conditions on the Division Street Bridge. Mr. Bell stated that Public Works will be installing candlesticks to the sidewalk to create a safer environment for walking across the bridge.

The meeting was convened into executive session at 8:02 p.m. and was estimated to last 30 minutes.

G. Executive Session: Real Estate and Potential Litigation.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:26 p.m.

- H. Resolution 903 - Downtown Flood Control Project: Mr. Rogerson presented Council with a request to approve a resolution relating to the City's Downtown Flood Control Project authorizing a settlement in lieu of condemnation with Commercial Cold Storage Inc, including for the acquisition of necessary property interests and resolution of other issues; and providing for other matters properly related thereto. Approval of the resolution includes approval of documents referenced in the resolution.

Councilmember Fiedler moved to approve Resolution 903. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hulst. Motion carried 7-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Morgan Morrison, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

Alicia D. Huschka, Finance Director

APPROVE:

Jill Boudreau, Mayor